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The Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

Re: **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

United States Patent Application No. 09/643,755

Entitled: Commercial Production of Chymosin in Plants

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Yin Shen and Joseph Boothe**

Filing Date: August 23, 2000

Examiner: Georgia L. Helmer

Art Unit: 1638

The present letter is filed in response to the office action of July 2, 2002.

Applicant provisionally elects Group I, the claims readable thereon as being claims 1-23. This is without prejudice to Applicant filing divisional application to the Group II invention.

In view of the foregoing comments and amendments, we respectfully submit that the application is in order for allowance and early indication of that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner deem it beneficial to discuss the application in greater detail, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at (416) 364-7311.

Respectfully submitted,

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